

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 1 to 90, (cancelled)

1 91. (New) A method of operating an enclosure by use of
2 a remote computing system, the remote computing system operably
3 coupled to the enclosure via a network connection, wherein entry to
4 the enclosure is controlled by an automated lock, the method
5 comprising:

6 receiving a first tracking number at a portable handheld
7 device, the first tracking number corresponding to a package to be
8 delivered to the enclosure;

9 receiving the first tracking number wirelessly from a
10 transponder resident on the handheld device to a receiver coupled
11 to the enclosure;

12 in response to receiving the first tracking number,
13 validating the first tracking number;

14 in response to validating the first tracking number,
15 opening the automated lock for deposit of the package.

1 92. (New) The method of claim 91, wherein the receiving
2 the first tracking number further includes wirelessly receiving the
3 first tracking number in the portable handheld device.

1 93. (New) The method of claim 91, wherein the network is
2 an internetwork.

1 94. (New) The method of claim 93, wherein the
2 internetwork operates over a VSAT connection.

1 95. (New) The method of claim 91, wherein the portable
2 handheld device includes a bar code scanner.

1 96. (New) The method of claim 91, wherein the receiving
2 the first tracking number further includes scanning a barcode
3 labelled on the package, wherein the barcode indicates the first
4 tracking number.

1 97. (New) The method of claim 91, wherein the enclosure
2 includes a transponder for wireless communication.

1 98. (New) The method of claim 97, further comprising:
2 after opening the automated lock, wirelessly sending a
3 confirmation message indicating delivery of the package from the
4 transponder on the enclosure to the portable handheld device.

1 99. (New) The method of claim 98, wherein the
2 transponder on the enclosure operates over radio frequencies.

1 100. (New) The method of claim 99, wherein the
2 confirmation message is encrypted.

1 101. (New) The method of claim 91, wherein the enclosure
2 includes a printer.

1 102. (New) The method of claim 101, further comprising:
2 after opening the automated lock, printing a receipt at
3 the printer, the receipt confirming delivery of the package at the
4 enclosure.